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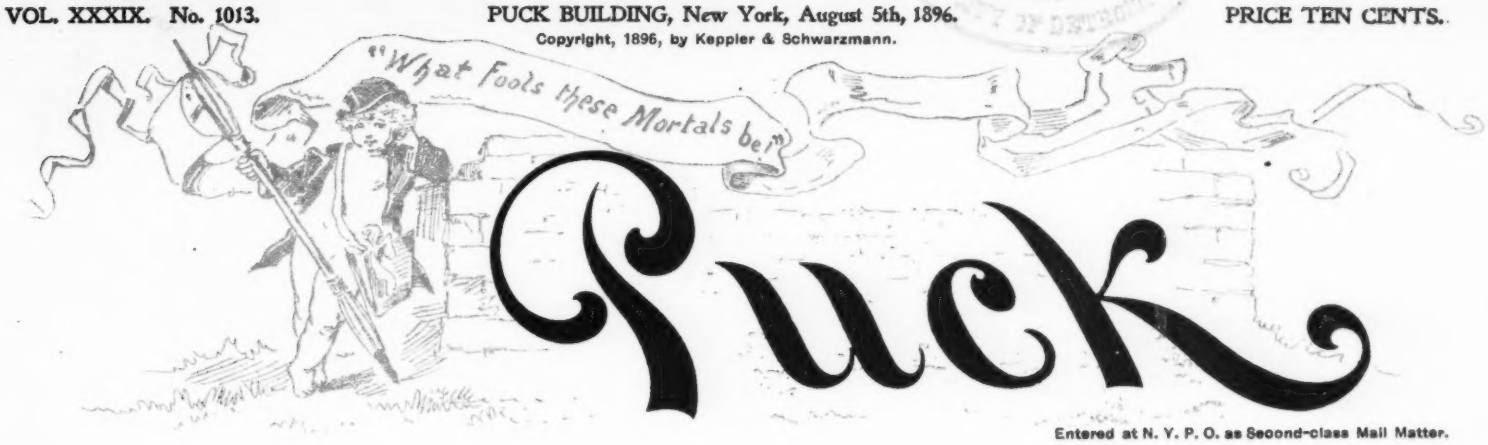

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UNDER ONE FLAG.

THE STUMP-ORATOR CANDIDATE AND HIS ALLIES.

A NEIGHBORING GARDEN.

IT SEEMS the very air is sweet
With fragrance that would thrill the bees
Until they 'd dream, in rapture meet,
The dreams of lost Hesperides.
The flowers bless the cooling spray
And all their petals then unclose
To catch the shower's ricochet,
When Molly wields the garden hose.

The twilight deepens, settles down,
The stillness of a Summer's eve
Has claimed the busy, bustling town
That soon to blissful dreams 't will leave;
But o'er the grassy, glistening lawn
Each drop of water, jeweled, glows,
And all the thirst of day is gone
When Molly wields the garden hose.

Her curls they rippling fall in waves
Beneath her bonnet's close confines,
The grass her gown's rich hemming laves
With only rapturous designs;
Each passer-by but seems to see
In this rare sight a balm for woes;
The world is brighter, all agree,
When Molly wields the garden hose.

Roy Farrell Greene.

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A SURPRISE.

MISS WOBASH *(of Chicago)*.—Tell me, George, have you ever loved like this before?

GEORGE.— N-n-no; — I 'm from Boston.

AND HE DID.

"Well, well!" hee-hawed the little donkey to the big donkey; "if I had no more sense than you I 'd go on a jury and be done with it."

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HOW IT HAPPENED.

JOSH MEDDERS.— How did you ketch your cold, Jay?

JAY GREEN.— A lot of us young people went to give Miss Sally Smiles a surprise party, the other night, and she kept us standin' out in the rain while she curled her hair.

WITH A CLEAR CONSCIENCE.

BROWN. — These war scares have made my wife an advocate of woman suffrage.

JONES. — I suppose she would vote against a war?

BROWN. — Vote against it? I think she 'd organize gangs of repeaters against it and stuff ballot boxes against it!

AN ODD CHARACTER.

JONES.— They say McKinley had an eccentric visitor the other day.

SMITH. — Who was he?

JONES.— An Ohio Republican who does n't want a job.

AT THE MASS MEETING.

"Why are they playing 'Hail to the Chief?'"

"Why, that is McKinley entering."

"Yes; but Hanna is n't here."

IN SOUTH AMERICA.

THE STATESMAN. — I think my country has treated me shamefully.

HIS WIFE.— Yes, indeed! To think that, after being concerned in nineteen revolutions, you should be allowed to occupy the Presidency only three weeks!

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An advantage the Lapland milk maid has over her Southern sisters.

"WHO WAS best man at the wedding?"

"The bride's father, if cheerfulness counts for anything."

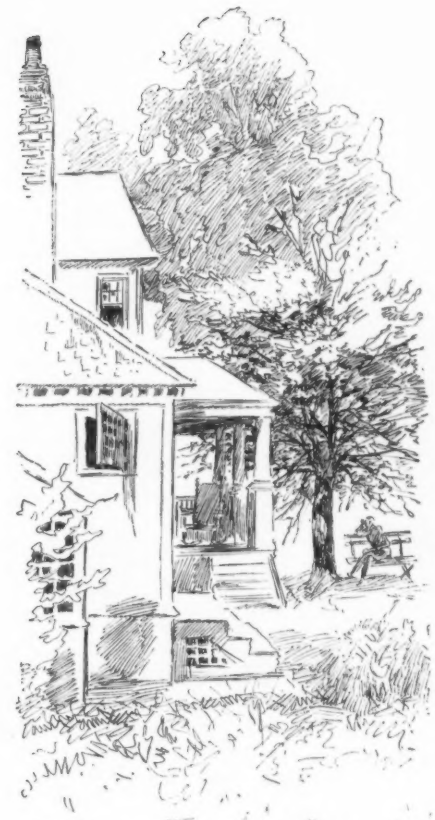
IF EVERYBODY knew when the market would stop booming it would stop a great deal sooner.

A RURAL REVERIE.

When the lawn is green and glossy,
Grass is clipped and sod is mossy,
When the vine is gayly creeping
Up the trellis, and the bed
Where his wife has got her flowers
All a-bloom from recent showers —
Has been neatly raked, and, also,
When the garden-truck is wed;
When the lettuce and tomatos,
Parsley, peas and sweet potatos
Are protruding through the earth
In manner indicating health,
And the pie-plant in the distance,
With perennial persistence,
Of pies, home-made, gives promise
By its foliaceous wealth;
When, with all his chores completed,
On his cool verandah seated,
He is summing up the comfort
And the quiet to be had,
When the kids, in ample number,
Are unconscious in sweet slumber —
Then, ah! then, we can imagine,
The suburbanite is glad!

When the lawn — we 're now rebutting
The above — needs frequent cutting,
When the grass grows long and shaggy
And gets wilted on his hands;
When of rain there 's not an inkling
And his lawn 's in need of sprinkling,
And requires the same attention
That a bottled babe demands;
When the garden-hose gets busted,
Mower — blunt and badly rusted —
From his cellar resurrected,
Would n't cut a swath in junk;
When, for want of constant nailing,
The clematis takes to trailing,
And in vegetable matter
Many dollars he has sunk;
When in pea-patch or tomatos
Neighbors hens make an hiatus,
And he thinks with thoughts regretful
Of the crops he might have had;
When he wonders how all this is,
Till the train for town he misses —
Then, ah! then, we feel quite certain,
The suburbanite is sad!

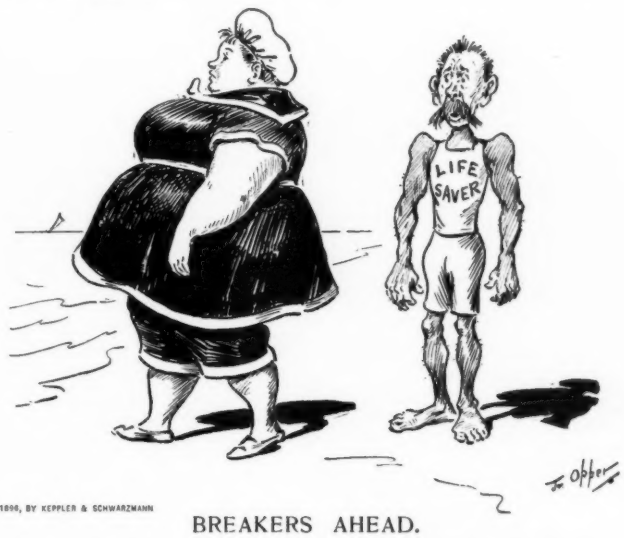
R. F. Wilson.



PROVEN.

FIRST DEACON. — Has the new soprano a good voice?

SECOND DEACON. — Well, I should say so. Why, at the choir fight the other night, you could hear her voice above all the rest!



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BREAKERS AHEAD.

I am known as the brave life-saver; but they 'll call me a cowardly scamp
If I don't lug her out of the breakers when she flounders about with a cramp.

THE GROWTH OF TOLERATION.

TOM. — Yes, he married that girl.

JACK. — I know he did. Why, he thought that people who doubted that she was the pink of perfection ought to be burned at the stake!

TOM. — Well, he 's willing to allow more freedom of opinion now.

A SERIOUS ONE.

CITIZEN *(offering bonds)*. — I own a six-story flat house in Harlem.

MAGISTRATE. — That 's all right. Any incumbrance?

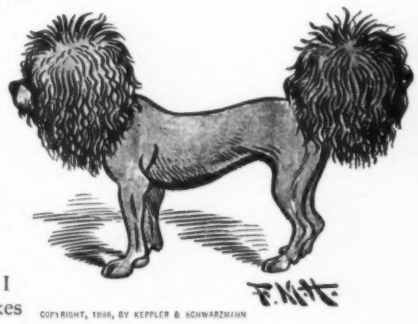
CITIZEN. — Well, there 's the janitor.

PRECIOUS TIME.

MRS. WHEELER. — My husband and I decided not to go to Europe, because it takes too long to get there.

MRS. JONES. — Too long?

MRS. WHEELER. — Yes; fancy being unable to use one's wheel for six or seven days!



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No; this is not a two-headed dog. The barber merely clipped Mrs. De Styles' poodle in a peculiar manner.

A HOPELESS CASE.

VISITOR. — Do you mean to say this patient keeps running this way all the time?

ATTENDANT. — Yes; he used to be in business on Broadway and he imagines he is trying to catch a cable-car.

A COSTLY MISTAKE.

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MRS. DOBBINS.—Oh, pshaw! It has commenced to rain. I 'll have to go upstairs and get my umbrella. I 'll just lay my hat here till I come down. I must stop at the florist's while I am out to-day and get some new flowers for this jar.

MR. DOBBINS *(slightly nearsighted)*.—These flowers setting in this dry room when there is a life-giving shower outside! No wonder her flowers die.

MR. DOBBINS.—I 'll just set them out on the window-sill, where they will get the invigorating drops. Women care for nothing but dress.

MRS. DOBBINS *(returning)*.—John, what did you do with my hat? What has become of those flowers?

MR. DOBBINS *(angry at her want of care)*.—Hat? I know nothing about your hat! I put the flowers out the window to allow Nature to allay their thirst.

MRS. DOBBINS.—FLOWERS! One of those is my new Summer hat! Now it will cost you another twenty-five dollars for not letting me run these things!

ITS IDENTITY.

MR. EATON.—Are you sure the fish you sold me yesterday was a shad?

FISH PEDDLER.—Of course, I am! What did you think it was?

MR. EATON.—I suspected it was a porcupine turned wrong side out.

HIS TESTIMONY INVALIDATED.

"Gentlemen of the jury, it is a well-known fact that when men get into the habit of making false statements they lose all capacity for telling the truth, no matter how anxious they may be to do so. I shall prove to you that the last witness for the prosecution has been connected with the weather bureau for twenty years."

QUITE APPROPRIATE.

TOM.—Who was with Jack at the roof garden?

DICK.—Don't know;—but she was a peach.

A FATAL OBJECTION.

HIS WIFE.—There is a very nice house on the next block which we could rent—

THE POLITICIAN.—But I can't afford to begin life over again.

HIS WIFE.—What do you mean?

THE POLITICIAN.—The next block is not in this district.

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THE INEVITABLE INFERENCE.

SHE.—You don't think it is a first-class wheel?

HE.—Oh, no! it is described as a "high grade."

ENGLISH AND AMERICAN HUMOR.

REPRESENTATIVE BRITON.—Yes; that 's the answer I made.

FAIR AMERICAN.—You ought to send that to *Punch*.

HE *(puzzled)*.—Really, now, you Americans would n't call *that* funny, eh?

SHE.—No; not at all.

THEIR DECISION.

JOSH MEDDERS.—How was the discussion at the Debating Society last night, Jay?

JAY GREEN.—Awful slow! It was all one-sided from the start. Everybody felt the same way—that bloomers are no worse than white duck pants turned up at the bottoms.

HIS COMPLAINT.

BROWN.—Smith is in the country. His doctor said he needed absolute rest.

JONES.—Does he like where he is?

BROWN.—He 's disgusted with the place;—says there is n't a blessed thing to do.

LES JEUNES GENS S'AMUSENT TELLEMENT!

"Ours is an oath-bound secret society for girls only. We intend to devise a mysterious mode of communication, intelligible only to ourselves."

"Then I presume you will all study French together."

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DISQUALIFIED.

MRS. MCCARTY.—An' phwat 's your son Teddy doin' now, Mrs. Flynn?

MRS. FLYNN.—He 's doin' toime, Mrs. McCarty;—but it 's not his fault that he 's a pickpocket, poor bye! They won't let him on th' perleece foorce on account of his lungs.

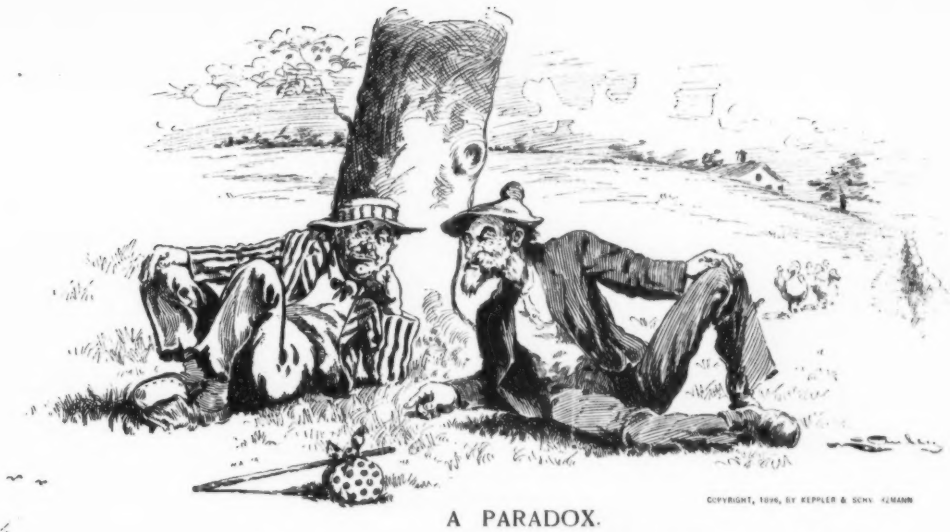
CUPID'S OUTING.

"IN TRIFLING mood he sends his shafts,
And recks not if each hits or misses;
They fly as light as thistle down,
And strike as soft as Summer kisses.

No heart wounds does he wish to make,
Though prodigal of ammunition;
At every mark an arrow flies,
All in accordance with tradition.

And every one that 's stricken thus
Accessory before the fact is;
For each must know the season is
The time for Cupid's barbless practice.

Wood Levette Wilson.



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A PARADOX.

RAGGED HAGGARD.—Naw, not on yer birthday! Ye' don't ketch me goin' near dat house—no, siree! When me an' old Sour Drops was along here last month, he got mad at de lady dat lives dere an' sassed her, an' she slung a dipper o' scaldin' water on him.

SELDUM FEDD.—What did he do den?

RAGGED HAGGARD.—Aw! he cooled off de minute de water hit him.

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A LATTER-DAY OTHELLO.

MOSE JOHNSON.—I s'pose yo' knows I wuz engaged to Miss Snowflake? Las' night I bought her an engagement ring, an jess as I wuz goin' up her front steps I looked froo de blinds, an' dar I seen Abe Hardcase a-huggin' an' kissin' her. I immejitly drew mah razzer an' rushed into de parlor, an'—

DEACON JACKSON *(interrupting)*.—An' carved dem?

MOSE JOHNSON.—No;—an' made Abe buy de ring ob me, foh twenty-five cents more dan I give foh it.

PICKINGS FROM THE INTELLECT OF LITTLE PLATO SMITH.

A bear's finger-nails hung on a string makes a dandy watch chain.

Boys don't know as much as their parents. That 's what parents thinks.

Every feller ought 'o have a watch; 'cause if he don't he gets home from school sometimes earlier 'n he has to.

I know a feller that 's got a sore toe worth goin' a mile t' see. Pa says th' sore toe of th' boy is th' sore head of th' man; but I dunno about that.

Parents like t' fool a feller. Ma ast me somethin' once like this: "Is n't it, Plato?" she said; an' I said "Yessum;" an' she said "No, it is n't;" an' I said "No'm" quick 's I could; an' she said I was just zasperatin' like Pa; an' I got mad; an' Pa heard it an' tried t' side with Ma an' she would n't; an' he tried to side with me an' I would n't; an'—O Gemini!

David Henry.

AT THE CAMPING PARTY.

THE CRANK.—This is the last time I 'll ever camp out!

THE ENTHUSIAST.—Well, you *should n't* camp out, unless you can enjoy yourself without being comfortable.

HIS TESTIMONY.

FIRST MEDICAL STUDENT.—You find the wheel beneficial?

SECOND MEDICAL STUDENT.—Very! It gives you a practical knowledge of contusions and dislocations which it would be very difficult to obtain otherwise.

A FAMILIAR ITEM.

HE *(reading the paper)*.—There it is at last! I 've been looking for that statement for a long time.

SHE.—What is it?

HE.—It says that the Chinese rode bicycles several hundred years before the Christian era.

A SLIGHT CORRECTION.

FOURTHBELL.—Your cook has been with you a long time, has she not?

BROWNSTONE.—We have been with her for five years.

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HER FEAR.

MAUD.—Oh, Mama! there goes the trolley-ho!

MOTHER *(warningly)*.—Hush, dear! not so loud; people will know we 're from Brooklyn.

IF YOU AND I CHANGED PLACES.

Oh! Dorothy! my sweetheart,
She bides at Newport town,
And every day that she 's away,
Thereto my thoughts go down.

Could you and I change places,
Oh! Dorothy! my dear!
Would you be glad? Should I be sad?
Not so, not so, I fear!

Were U and I transposed, dear,
In this especial case,
You would but droop: I could
not stoop
To wish a thing so base.

For, Dorothy, my darling,
You could not drown your woe
In a cool stein, as I drown mine;
Your pace I could not go.

And, Dorothy, my rosebud,
Would not be pleased, I fear,
If *I* should dare be summering there,
While *she* was simmering here.

Frank Roe Batchelder.

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AT THE ANCESTRAL CASTLE.

OLD RETAINER *(confidentially)*.—Yes, sir; most of us in the servants' 'all 'as been in the Hearl's family forty years.

THE EARL'S FATHER-IN-LAW *(from Chicago)*.—Well, I 'm sorry for you, but you can't git any forty years' back wages out of me!

A BASIS FOR CALCULATION.

HE.—Before ve go to Europe I must see vot dem dourist gompanies vould scharge.

SHE.—Vould you t'ink of goin' mit von of dem gompanies?

HE.—No; but vot efer dey vould scharge ve ought to be able to do it for less.

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IN THE GRAND STAND.

ETHEL.—You won't bet on Acid Phosphate for the next race, *will* you, Tom?

TOM.—Why not?

ETHEL.—I want to see him win.

NOT POSSIBLE.

HAVERLY.—I see there is a movement on foot in England to change American histories in their schools.

AUSTEN.—Nonsense! She can't change American history. She tried that a hundred years ago.

A SCIENTIFIC STROKE.

"Gainsby is a fellow who understands economy."

"That 's what!—he has just had a composite portrait made of his three other wives."

IN MEDIÆVAL TIMES.

"What, ho! within there!" cried the baron, as he approached the drawbridge.

And the knights, having been loafing during the baron's absence, rushed pell-mell to their hoes and began with great assiduity to agitate the soil of the truck garden at the rear of the castle.

EVIDENCE.

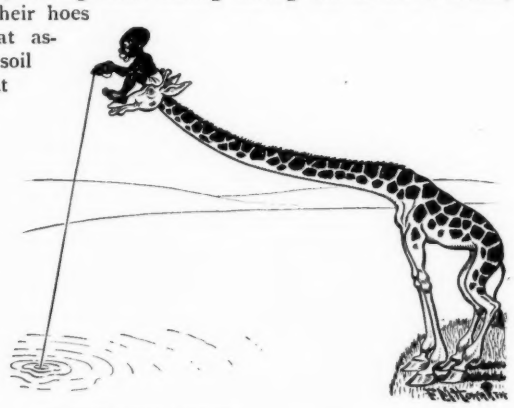
TOM.—I don't know whether she sings or not.

JACK.—She does n't. I heard her.

EXPOSED.

"He is a man of inspiring appearance."

"Very! It took *me* in until he began to talk."



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They have no fishing-rods in Central Africa, but they manage the thing pretty well.

AN INFERENCE.

MRS. HOOKER.—You will admire her, I am sure; she is one of the most intellectual girls I ever knew.

JACK SWIFT.—Whew! Is she as homely as all that?

HIS SIGNS OF PROMISE.

YOUNG HOPEFUL.—After reading my manuscript, don't you think I might succeed as a humorist?

EDITOR.—Well, there 's a chance for you, perhaps, as a practical joker.

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CARTOONS AND COMMENTS.

A CAMPAIGN OF EDUCATION.

CAMPAIGNS OF education are the regular thing. As often as elections come around party leaders declare that *this* time the people are going to find out for themselves just what is what. There was never a campaign yet in which the people were not politely supposed to be ravenously eager for enlightenment, to the end that they might vote wisely. But we all know that the average campaign of education is a campaign of blind prejudice and unthinking enthusiasm. The party leaders seek to arouse and direct these forces; and the people read the editorials that rhyme with their views, and vote invariably with the fine old party to which they chance to be allied. In the present campaign there seems really to be some slight excuse for the boasts of both parties that the people are aroused to the need of thinking for themselves. After years of evasion and compromise by each party the money question is clearly before the people, and it has come before them in such a way that, if they are to solve it intelligently, a large number of them must leap out of party bounds and make a declaration of mental independence. The situation is so simply defined that there should be no doubt as to his course in the mind of any voter; yet voters are so wrapped up in the worship of Party that it will be a rare and impressive triumph of intelligence over fanaticism if the coming election registers any considerable revolt from party traditions.

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It is important, of course, that every voter should know his sound-money catechism. But it is vastly more important that every voter should realize his sacred duty to himself and to his country to vote squarely in accordance with his convictions. Plain honesty demands that he select his ticket without regard to the party name that heads it. The danger that he will vote unwisely through ignorance is not nearly so great as the danger that he will vote dishonestly through mistaken devotion to a party name. The kind of education that is chiefly needed, therefore, is the kind that will carry this common-sense truth home to him. And this will be no slight task, for it is a sad fact that man is pretty much of a sheep and scampers wildly along with the flock at a time of alarm. A further menace to independent action by the voter lies in the teachings of the party priests that the Party can do no wrong. These men, the spoilsmen and place-hunters who are in politics for the money there is in it, will do their best to hold the flock together by preaching the sacredness of party ties. Tammany Hall and its prototypes throughout the country will stand "loyal" to the so-called Democratic ticket, for the sake of the offices back of it. Of loyalty to their own convictions and to the best interests of their country they know nothing. "Loyalty" to them means standing by the organization and dividing the plunder after election.

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The voter of honest intentions is thus facing two influences that threaten to enslave him: his blind attachment to his party, and the blandishments of the machine leaders. If he would escape both, he must defy tradition and turn a deaf ear to these political mercenaries. To this end he should assure himself that, broadly speaking, there is in this campaign no Republican party and no Democratic party. The people, regardless of parties, have forced into the field an issue that demands and deserves an honest vote. One party has been forced to declare for sound money and another for unsound money. All that any voter may honestly concern himself with is his standing on this question. It outranks in importance any other difference between the contesting parties. Protection and Tariff Reform are variable things and may mean much or little, as we have learned in the last four years. But the proposed overthrow of our currency system would mean a commercial revolution. We can not have just a little free coinage of silver, — we must have all or nothing; and both the adherents and opponents of that doctrine will admit that it means infinitely more, either for weal or woe, than the mere readjustment of some tariff schedules. A Protective Tariff is an evil that may be remedied at any time, and its bad effects will practically cease with its abolition. But the effects of a law permitting the free coinage of silver would continue indefinitely beyond its repeal, because such a law would strike at the very life of all trade. To the voter who condemns both, Protection must, therefore, seem the lesser evil.

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Under these circumstances no Democrat who believes in sound-money can consistently vote the Democratic ticket, nor can any Free-silver-Republican honestly vote the ticket of his party. Such action by either would be worse than illogical: it would be dishonest and unpatriotic. Heretofore the parties themselves have shirked this issue and the country has suffered incalculable loss through their cowardice. Now the issue is up and the people should rise above the idolatry of Party and vote it down. The next election should not only settle the currency question for all time to come, but it should furnish new evidence of the wisdom of our form of government: it should show that the people are not shackled by party chains, — that they can vote with intelligent independence and get what they go for.

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It is to be regretted that the sound-money candidate is a Protectionist and the tool of monopolists, and it is to be regretted that he had to be frightened into his sound-money position; but opposed to him is a candidate who stands for about everything that is dangerous in finance and legislation, and wisdom dictates the choice of the lesser evil. We can make the best of McKinley; but there is no best to be made of that animated lung-trouble from the Platte Valley. He preaches chaos too frankly. Let the voters of the country drop all politics for the time, and work and vote with business sagacity on a simple business proposition.

GRASPING AN OPPORTUNITY.

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THE LEADING MAN OF THE SOREFOOT DRAMATIC COMPANY (*also property-man, bill-poster and advance-agent*).— I would like you to hang this poster in a conspicuous place. Here is a pass for the show.

THE GROCER.— There! I knew if I kept these eggs long enough I 'd get rid of them!

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HIS TRIUMPHA

IT IS NOT EXACTLY THE SORT OF CHARIOT HE HOPED F

RIUMPHAL PROGRESS.

HE HOPED FOR, BUT HE WILL GET THERE IN IT ALL THE SAME.

WANTED TO KNOW.

LITTLE CLARENCE *(with a rising inflection)*.— Pa?

MR. CALLIPERS *(sternly)*.— That will do you for to-night, my son. I don't know whether Anneke Jans considered his name preferable to great riches, nor why Senator Peffer did n't stick his whiskers into a bucket of water last Winter and break 'em off when they froze, nor who under the sun would want to make a silk purse out of a lady's-hog ear, nor why a man should petition the Legislature to have his name changed from Hotchkiss to Hitchcock, nor why deaf people always enjoy walking on the railroad track, nor why they call a church festival an entertainment, nor why good men so often talk without making gestures, while the wicked generally flourish, nor whether a red-nosed preacher or an old woman with tan shoes looks the more suspicious, nor what would happen if a hoo-hoo, a gazaboo and a snark were shut up in a dark room together, nor any other foolish things of that kind; and if you don't stop asking such questions, off you go to bed!"

"But this question is n't foolish, Pa. It is one that I can't find the answer to, although I have asked everybody I thought ought to know and read every book and newspaper that I had any hope of finding it in. There ought to be an answer to it somewhere, but I have n't been able to find it yet."

"H'm! What is the question?"

"Why, Pa, I 'd like to find out what object Nature could possibly have had in making all brainy women — like women doctors, agitators, emancipators, lawyers, politicians, and so forth — as homely as stuffed toads?"

Tom P. Morgan.

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HER GOOD FORTUNE.

SAPSMITH.— I wondah how it comes that Miss Swift is always out when I call?

GRIMSHAW.— Oh, I guess it 's just her luck!

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A GREAT GAME.

HE.— Yes; those balls kissed; now it is my turn.

SHE.— Oh! is that your game? Well, hurry up, George, for Mama may be in at any moment!

A RUMOR.

BROWN.— I wonder if that report about McKinley is true?

JONES.— What report?

BROWN.— They say he 's going to write an anonymous letter on the money question.

EMINENTLY SUCCESSFUL.

CUMSO.— Would you call Senator Millgrubs a successful statesman?

CAWKER.— Yes, indeed! His speculations in sugar alone net him fully twenty-five thousand dollars a year.

A MIGHTY GOOD REASON.

"What made you return from England so soon?"

"The Prince of Wales manifested a disposition to become chummy with me," replied the wealthy but eminently sensible American.

THE "LONG GREEN" STILL IN IT.

SMYTHE.— I 'll bet 16 to 1 the Free Silverites won't use much of their pet money on election day.

TOMPKINS.— Why not?

SMYTHE.— It 's too noisy for campaign purposes.

ALL UNSUCCESSFUL booms should now be burned in the bonfire of the victor; excepting, of course, those of the Prohibitionists, which may be disposed of by simply pulling the bung.

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GLOOM.

BERNSTEIN.— Choost my luck! Dey say dem railroads is goin' to haf a war undt cut der rades to pieces choost ven I vos goin' oud West.

ROSENBAUM.— Vell, dot don't hurt you, aind't it?

BERNSTEIN.— Vy, I can get a free pass, undt I von't be savin' more as half vot I vould under ordinary cirgumstances!

VACATION MONTH.

SHE MILKS, she churns, she makes the pats
Of white and golden butter;
I watch her through the trellis' slats,
She sets my heart a-flutter.
I think of Hebe, when she brings
Me cream in goblets, dripping —
Also, of Psyche, without wings,
When to and fro' she 's tripping.

Near to my hammock is a chair
Upon the porch, vine-laden;
Sometimes she comes to rest her there —
My rose-flushed weary maiden.
Then, book and pen aside I lay
In proper form to greet her —
She 's welcome as the flowers in May,
And, oh! how greatly sweeter!

What do we talk of 'neath the shade?
Ah! not of cream, nor cattle —
I 'd have you know, this charming maid,
On other themes can prattle.
She talks of music, books, and art,
Of faith, and dress, and duty; —
We talk of matters of the heart —
I talk about her beauty.

Alas! what are her charms to me
However fair or splendid?
My sojourn here so brief must be,
Within a month 't is ended,
And, then, my sad and sunburnt phiz
Will cityward be turning,
While she will stay just where she is.
Yet, with what endless yearning

I haunt the path, by which she goes
To milk, while others slumber!
I count her milk-pans, set in rows,
As monk his beads might number;
The dairy sill I linger at,
For, could she but behold it,
My heart is like a butter pat —
It 's she alone can mould it!

Madeline S. Bridges.

MAGOOZLEMAN. — There 's a curious thing about water — it expands in freezing.
GIGMAN. — So does the price.

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AT THE AFRO-AMERICAN CLUB.

THE KALSOMINER. — How do de tariff protect de waitah an' de kalsominah? Dey can't impoht ouah wuck.

THE WAITER. — Dat am so! De waitahs an' de kalsominahs ought to be paid a bounty.

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CRITICISM.

JOSH. — Them city folks is cur'ous critters.

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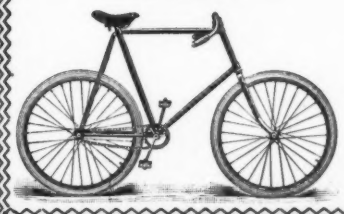

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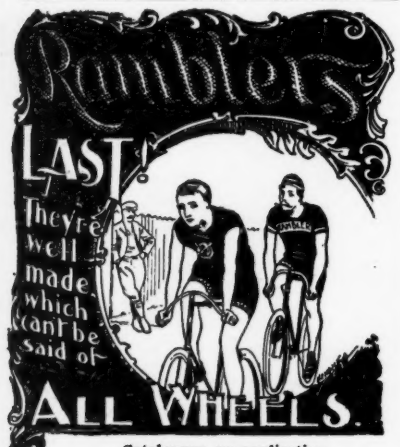

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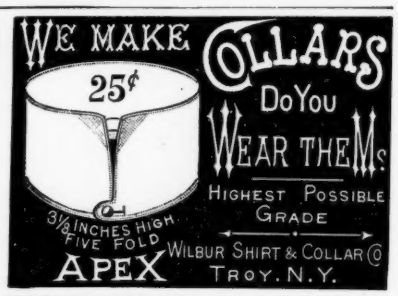

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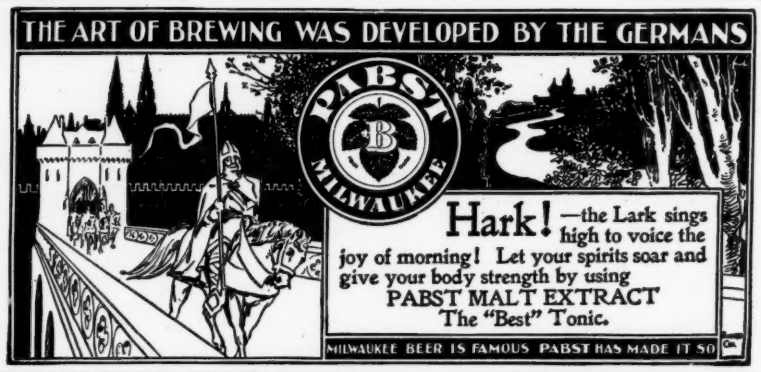

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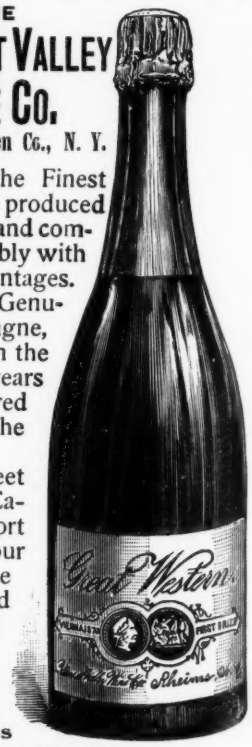

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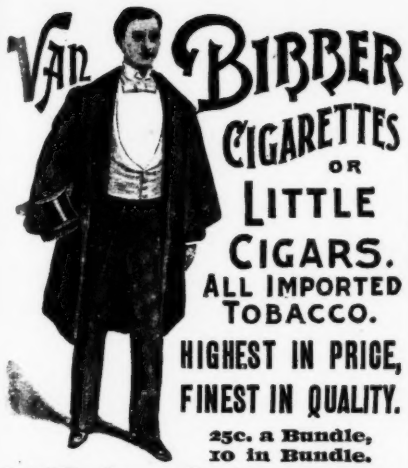

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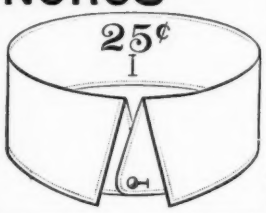

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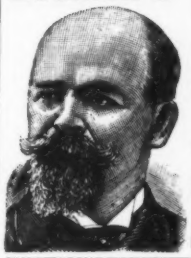

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